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2. ON THE DEATH OF MYO FIRST DEPUTY CHAIRMAN PAPUTIN  
(REF A), SAME SOURCE SAID HE HAS HEARD IT WAS UNRELATED TO  
AFGHANISTAN ALTHOUGH INDEED BY SUICIDE, BUT SUPPOSEDLY FOR  
PERSONAL REASONS RATHER THAN INTRIGUES INSPIRED BY  
CHURBANOV. ON THE OTHER HAND, ACCORDING TO

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CIRCLES IS THAT ANIN SHOT PAPUTIN PERSONALLY IN HIS (ANIN'S  
OFFICE AND WAS IN TURN SHOT BY THE SOVIETS, WHO MOVED IN  
TO RETALIATE. WATSON

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